

MADERA COUNTY

SENIOR GROUNDS/FLOOD CONTROL MAINTENANCE WORKER

DEFINITION

Under direction, to lead, oversee, and participate in the work of staff responsible for performing a variety of parks and grounds maintenance work; to perform tree trimming, lawn mowing, and watering; to install and repair sprinkler systems; to perform the more difficult equipment operation and maintenance assignments; to inspect facilities for needed maintenance and repairs; to perform a variety of maintenance work on water channels, levees, and flood control systems; and to do related work as required.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

Exercises technical and functional supervision over lower level staff.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

This is the advanced journey level in the Grounds/Flood Control Maintenance Worker class series. Incumbents perform the full range of parks and grounds maintenance assignments and flood control maintenance by working alone or in small groups. In addition, incumbents at this level are responsible for the more difficult equipment operation and equipment maintenance assignments and provide lead supervision and training to other staff.

EXAMPLES OF IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL DUTIES

Leads, plans, and reviews the work of staff responsible for providing parks and grounds maintenance and flood control maintenance; plans, directs, and participates in the full range of parks and grounds maintenance assignments and flood control maintenance; supervises the use and operation of tools and equipment used in the maintenance of parks, grounds, and flood control; estimates time, material, and equipment required for assigned jobs; requisitions materials as required; orders parts as necessary and ensures parts ordered are received in a timely fashion; trains assigned employees including in the areas of work methods, techniques, and the use and operation of equipment; maintains County grounds, parks, and flood control areas in a clean and orderly condition; patrols parks and grounds removing debris and trash; mows lawns with riding and push mowers; removes weeds and brush; trims bushes and trees; assists with spraying; installs, maintains, and adjusts sprinkler systems; removes trees and brush from water channels; hauls debris to County disposal sites; sprays and applies chemicals to keep vegetation under control; controls rodents and other pests; operates tractors clearing river beds; performs maintenance and repair work on flood control equipment; cleans rest room facilities and replenishes supplies; inspects areas for needed maintenance and repair work; may dig ditches and perform heavy physical labor; operates a variety of equipment and vehicles; performs the more difficult equipment operation assignments; maintains and tests backflows for water systems; repairs and services trucks, mowers, edgers, chain saws, and tractors; performs basic tune-ups and lubrication assignments; maintains proper inventory of parts and supplies for equipment maintenance and repair work; builds forms and pours concrete.

OTHER JOB RELATED DUTIES

Performs related duties and responsibilities as assigned.

JOB RELATED AND ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

Operations, services, and activities of a flood control and grounds maintenance program.
Principles of lead supervision and training.
Parks and grounds maintenance tools and equipment.
Procedures used in landscape maintenance, tree trimming, and groundskeeping work.
Parks and grounds equipment operation and equipment maintenance.
Flood control system maintenance tools and equipment.
Methods and procedures used in flood control system maintenance work.
Flood control equipment operation and equipment maintenance work.
Herbicides and pesticides used in flood control levee maintenance.
Pertinent Federal, State, and local laws, codes, and regulations related to mixing and applying herbicides and pesticides.
Occupational hazards and standard safety practices necessary in the area of work assigned.

Skill to:

Operate hand tools and parks and grounds maintenance equipment.
Perform heavy physical labor requiring strength, dexterity, and agility.
Operate a motor vehicle safely.

Ability to:

Plan, organize, and review the work of maintenance staff in the area of work assigned.
Provide lead supervision and training to assigned staff.
Perform a variety of parks and grounds maintenance work.
Install and maintain sprinkler systems.
Perform a variety of flood control maintenance work.
Identify weeds and rodents and correctly prepare substances for their eradication.
Apply weed and rodent control substances.
Perform the more difficult equipment operation and equipment maintenance assignments.
Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
Establish, maintain, and foster positive and harmonious working relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

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Experience and Training Guidelines:

Any combination equivalent to experience and training that would provide the required knowledge, skills, and abilities would be qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge, skills, and abilities would be:

Experience:

Three years of responsible work experience comparable to that of a Grounds/Flood Control Maintenance Worker I/II with Madera County.

Training:

Formal or informal education or training which ensures the ability to read and write at a level necessary for successful job performance.

License or Certificate:

Possession of, or ability to obtain, a pesticide applicators license issued by the State of California.
Possession of, or ability to obtain, an appropriate, valid Class "A" California Driver's License issued by the State Department of Motor Vehicles.

Special Requirements:

Essential duties require the following physical skills and work environment:

Ability to sit, stand, walk, kneel, twist, and lift 50 lbs.; exposure to cold, heat, noise, outdoors, vibration, chemicals, explosive materials, mechanical hazards, and electrical hazards; ability to travel to different sites and locations.

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